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RAILWAY WORKERS LOSE 48 MILLIONS

Rebold Declares Okmulgee People Prejudiced Against Him

ACCUSED BANKER ASKS CHANGE OF VENUE FOR CASE

Judge Bozarth Receives Petition But no Date Set for Hearing; Effort to Disbar Jurists Failed

WHOLE DISTRICT IS BIASED, HE ASSERTS

Trial Is Scheduled to Begin at June Term of Court in Okmulgee County

OKMULGEE, Okla.—District Judge Mark L. Bozarth had before him today a petition for a change of venue, filed Saturday by John H. Rebold, local capitalist, who is accused in indictments with Governor J. B. A. Robertson of Oklahoma, and 13 other individuals with irregularities in the state banking system in Okmulgee county. No date for hearing arguments on the application has been set.

Rebold not only asks in the petition that his trial, scheduled to begin during the June term of court, be transferred from Okmulgee county, but charges that the "minds of the inhabitants are so prejudiced and biased that it will be impossible for him to obtain a fair hearing" in the entire twenty-second judicial district, comprising Okmulgee, Creek and Oklahoma counties.

An unsuccessful attempt recently was made by Rebold to obtain a writ of mandamus from the criminal court of appeals, disqualifying Judge Bozarth from presiding at his trial.

Governor Robertson, who was charged specifically with accepting a \$25,000 bribe to permit an insolvent bank to operate, with Rebold and the other defendants, is to be arraigned in district court here at the opening of the next term of criminal district court, June 5, at which time it is expected, dates for all the trial will be set.

The cases grew out of an investigation by a grand jury called primarily to inquire into the failure of the Bank of Commerce here last November.

HARDING ATTENDS NAVY GRADUATION

Hundreds of Visitors are Surprised When Mayflower Drops Anchor; Party to Lunch and See Game

ANNAPOLIS, Md.—The hundreds attending graduation exercises at the United States naval academy today received a surprise when the yacht Mayflower, on which President Harding left Washington Saturday with Mrs. Harding and a party of friends for a cruise down Chesapeake Bay, dropped anchor here.

After lunching with Admiral Wilson, superintendent of the academy, the president planned to review the midshipmen and witness the annual baseball game between Annapolis and West Point.

SOUTHERN ROAD MUST SELL STOCK

Ownership of Central Pacific Is Declared Unlawful by the Supreme Court; Last Great Trust Case Completed

WASHINGTON.—The government won Monday in the supreme court its suit to have the Southern Pacific company's ownership of the Central Pacific railway, declared unlawful.

The court, in deciding the case—the last of the great trust dissolution suits brought to the supreme court—reversed the decision of the federal district court in Utah, which had held against the government.

The decision of the supreme court, Justice Day stated, means that the Southern Pacific will be required to divest itself of all stock ownership in the Central Pacific lines or other control, which it has held since 1886 by lease, and 1899 by purchase.

CONTRACTS FOR DAM SIGNED BY COMPANY

Final papers on the contract for the construction of the dam for the city water supply have been signed by the Boardman company of Oklahoma City, which was the successful bidder, and delivered, and work on the construction will begin at once, according to City Manager Dyer.

Assembling of material and equipment is already under way and it is not anticipated that any delay will be occasioned in the beginning of the work.

'Other Side' in Ward Case on Anxiously While Police Strive to Solve Peters Murder Mystery



The family of Clarence Peters of Haverhill, Mass., demands fullest prosecution of Walter S. Ward, millionaire baker, who shot Peters to death in Westchester county, N. Y. The slain man's brothers and sisters—left to right, Kenneth, Morton, Doris and Leslie. Inset, his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Eldredge Peters.

WOMAN AND "BRAINS" OF BLACKMAIL GANG SOUGHT

WHITE PLAINS, N. Y.—Search was made today for a mysterious woman said to have offered \$500 to a youth in a New York restaurant to commit murder in the New Rochelle home of Walter S. Ward, who admits he killed Clarence Peters because of blackmail, but keeps the nature of the blackmail a secret.

A checkup by the police bears out the story told them by a waiter in a Broadway restaurant that a young woman, dressed in black, had taken him to New Rochelle, pointed out the Ward house and promised him \$500 if he would enter the house with her and shoot the person she pointed out to him. He refused on the pretext that he was not prepared, and promised to meet her Saturday night.

Search is also being made for a man named Ross, who is regarded as the brains of the blackmail gang, of which Ward says Peters was a member, and which Ward said he paid \$30,000 before refusing a demand for \$75,000. Counsel for the Peters family has promised to produce Ross, but as yet has not done so.

MOB LYNCHES NEGRO FOR KILLING FARMER

SAVANNAH, Ga.—William Byrd, a negro living near Brentwood, in Wayne county, was shot to death by a mob late yesterday and his body burned, it became known here today. Byrd was accused of killing H. W. Moody, a farmer living near him. He also seriously wounded Browning Weaver, it was charged, and shot Carlos Moody in the arm.

The trouble is said to have developed over the arrival of a number of negroes from Macon to work on the Moody farm.

GERMAN REPLY IS DELIVERED

It Is Expected Commission Will Read Note at Tuesday Session; No Meeting Is Scheduled for Tonight

PARIS.—Germany's reply to the reparations committee on the demands made by the commission in connection with reparations payments was delivered at the office of the commission at 3:40 this afternoon.

Although the commission planned to hold a session during the afternoon, it was said the reply might not be read to that body.

No decision had been reached on this point up to four p. m., nor as to when the reply would be made public.

BOY SCOUTS TAKE TESTS SUNDAY AT WOODFORD CAMP

Seventy-four Youngsters of County Gathered for First Big Meeting of Year Late Saturday

THIRTY-ONE PASS SWIM REQUIREMENT

Camping Committee to Arrange for 3-Day Camp to Open on June Fifth

Seventy-four Boy Scouts from Ardmore and other towns of Carter county slept under their blankets, the blue skies and stars, Saturday night at Woodford, returning to Ardmore Sunday noon from the first of a series of brief camps to be held at intervals throughout the vacation months.

Various phases of Scoutcraft were indulged in, with tests in swimming and hiking being made. A number of the boys qualified for first steps in merit badges, which will be awarded by the Court of Honor when all tests are completed. Crayton S. Brooks, expert swimmer, whose boyhood days were spent on the banks of the Ohio, was one of the examiners to give the tests.

The boys held the regular council fire meeting Saturday night, Charles Rogers, assistant scoutmaster of Troop 1 because of his personal services with his troop, having the honor of lighting the fire. Sunrise Scout service Sunday morning was conducted by P. J. Russell, pastor of Carter Avenue Methodist church, Ardmore. This was followed by a short swim. The boys prepared their meals and provided all food for the camp. En route home a group of them found and destroyed a large number of prairie dogs, which are a menace to the farmers, by carrying out one of their Scout laws—to serve.

Early Camps Planned.
Weather permitting, the campaign committee, of which C. E. Sykes is chairman, and which comprises R. K. Van Dyne, J. H. Carlock, B. W. Duke, Oscar DeVeny and Warren Martin, will arrange for a three-day camp before the opening of the summer term of the Ardmore public schools, scheduled for Monday, June 5. An entire day of different groups of boys will go on this camp, and camping trips will be so arranged that the boys will make the 3-days' trip at intervals of once a month.

50-Yard Swimming Test.
Those who qualified for the 50-yard swimming test were Frank Berryhill, Dovsky Critch, Howell Williams, William Kirkbright, Bob White, Ardmore; Lloyd Jones, William Granger, Edward Phelps, Joe Bohrer, John McDaniel, Harry and Horace Bunchman, Otto Hankins of Wilson; J. P. Tyler, Jim D. Rose, Kelly Hood, Ray Drain, Jim T. and Dave Seake, Gilbert Wallace of Woodford.

100-Yard Test.
Those qualifying on the 100-yard swimming test were: Kavenaugh Kelley, Calvin Darnell, Roland Bishop, Surges Jolly, Junior Chisholm, Richard Norman, Ardmore; Clarence Ranger, Wilson; Scoutmaster James of Lawton, Scoutmaster Parks of Troop One, Ardmore; Scoutmaster Springer of Wilson; Scoutmaster Thompson of Woodford. These were all qualified by Crayton S. Brooks and Executive Harris.

Special Hiking Test.
Charles Rogers, assistant scoutmaster, Troop One, and Surges Jolly of Troop One, hiked the 20 mile distance to Woodford Saturday morning, thus qualifying for hiking merit badge work.

Swimming Requirements.
Four separate tests are required in the swimming requirements. For first class Scout the boy must swim a distance of 50 yards in a given time. To receive the merit badge the boys must swim 100 yards; second, they must dive properly from the surface of the water; third, they must demonstrate breast, crawl and side strokes; fourth, must swim on back. Only one test is given during a camp.

OIL PROMOTER ON TRIAL IN TEXAS

S. E. J. Cox Charged With Having Used the Mail to Defraud in Stock Sale; Will Plead Not Guilty

HOUSTON, Texas.—One of the hard fought trials in the annals of federal district court was started here today in the opening trial of S. E. J. Cox, oil promoter and airplane enthusiast. Cox faces an indictment charging in 14 counts, use of the mails to defraud in connection with the sale of stock in three companies whose capitalization aggregated on paper \$41,000,000.

A special venire of fifty men has been summoned and there are witnesses from 23 states. Cox will enter a plea of not guilty.

Buck is Passed on Soldier Bill Vote in Senate

WASHINGTON.—The McCumber soldiers' bonus plan apparently commanded a majority in the senate finance committee Monday but a formal vote was deferred until Wednesday to give senators additional time to consider some amendments that were suggested.

Chairman McCumber expressed confidence after the session that his plan, which follows closely the house bill, except that the land settlement feature has been eliminated, would be approved and in this democratic members of the committee agreed.

Both the McCumber proposal and the Smoot proposition to give veterans paid-up insurance policies in lieu of all other forms of compensation were discussed at the committee meeting which was the first for discussion of the bonus to which the democratic members were admitted.

SEMAN'S COMING TO OIL ELECTION MACHINERY HERE

New Methods Adopted by the Democratic Central Committee Will be Explained and Put in Force

Some time during the first two weeks in June the democratic central committee will be called together to receive suggestions and instructions on organization for an intensive election campaign.

Ed M. Semans, chairman of the democratic state central committee, will address the meeting and will explain the new plan of democratic organization that became effective this year; a plan that many of the old line politicians are not yet familiar with.

Detail Is Centralized.
Under that new system every little detail of election work is controlled by the voters of each voting precinct. No appointments to any of the precinct election offices are made by the county registrar or the county election board except on recommendation of the precinct central committee, who, under the rules, have been regularly elected at a meeting composed of the democratic voters of each particular precinct.

Mr. Semans will explain as to the proper methods of registration work and election work. Under the present law registration books cannot be opened until twenty days prior to an election, and can only remain open ten days; this year from July 11 to July 21. In many counties in the state the matter of registration has been carelessly conducted.

Change Expected.
The registration laws are so complicated and require so much time and effort on the part of registrars and election boards, that much of the work has been neglected. Heretofore, elections and registrations have been conducted in a happy-go-lucky manner—the easiest way being considered all right, even though it didn't comply with the strict letter of the law. But the new plan of state-wide democratic organization will change all that carelessness.

Precinct registrars and precinct election officers will be appointed for their fitness for the office and will be selected by their neighbors, the precinct central committee to whom they will be responsible for the proper performance of the work of their office.

LILLARD-BURNS DENY CHARGE

Buckley Not Responsible for Acts, Statement Says, in Answer to Disbarment Application

OKLAHOMA CITY.—Written statements denying allegations made in an application filed Saturday with the state supreme court asking their disbarment were made Monday by Ross N. Lillard and J. W. Burns, attorneys of this city. The application was placed before the court by J. Emmett Buckley, an attorney, also of this city.

Both Lillard and Burns denied that Buckley had ever been in partnership with them in the practice of law, as the application declared.

Burns, in his statement declared that Buckley was "not responsible for his statements," and that "there is not a single allegation that he has made that has the semblance of truth in it." Burns also declared that "we shall be able to prove that Buckley secured the advice and impetus of one or more other lawyers in the city to file his disbarment petition."

Lillard's statement characterized the petition as "malicious, and not founded on a semblance of truth."

Tobacco growing in Canada has made great progress in the last few years.

ACCUSED OF THREAT AGAINST FILM STAR



Charles Caprice, as he gave his name, shown here, was arrested at the home of Bebe Daniels, the movie star, where he said at first he had gone to kill her, professing to have been hired for \$25 to commit the crime. Later he told the police he simply was after certain information. Miss Daniels said she has never heard of him or of the man he declared had offered \$25 for her life. The prisoner was committed to the psychopathic ward of the Los Angeles county hospital for observation.

LABOR LEADERS ASKED TO GIVE UP UNION HOLD

Mader and Murphy Given Release on Condition That They Relinquish Control of Two Bodies

CHICAGO.—Thomas Carey, millionaire brick manufacturer, who obtained the release of Fred Mader, head of the building trades council, and "Big Tim" Murphy, following their indictment in connection with Chicago's bomb war and the slaying of two policemen, insisted today that the two labor leaders comply immediately with their agreement to relinquish control of the council.

Mr. Carey signed the bonds of Mader and Murphy on the sole condition that they would step out as leaders in the building trades.

Some union officials expressed the preference of placing the whole Chicago situation before the building trades department of the American Federation of Labor at Cincinnati on June 8.

"Con" Shea, the other of the "big three" leaders, was still in the county jail where he was taken nearly three weeks ago following the succession of raids on the offices of the building trades council. Efforts to obtain Shea's release by a writ of habeas corpus will be continued, it was said.

TWO ENGINEERS DEAD IN WRECK

Only Engines of Trains Left Track in Head-on Collision on Santa Fe Near Fort Madison, Iowa

CHICAGO.—The engineer and fireman of the westbound California limited on the Santa Fe railroad were killed early today near Fort Madison, Iowa, when the train crashed head-on into eastbound train No. 4. No passengers were injured and only the engines of the two trains left the track.

The engineer was O. N. Eaton of Chicago, and the fireman was D. Taylor of Chillicothe, Illinois, according to reports to Santa Fe officials here.

Heroes of Past to Be Remembered by Veterans of Three Wars Here; Legion Has Charge of Ceremonies

Graves of all war veterans will be decorated Tuesday under the auspices of the local legion post. Flowers for the graves are being gathered Monday by members of the legion auxiliary and taken to the home of Mrs. Tom Roberts, West Main street, chairman of the flower committee.

Every veteran organization, including those of the legion, U. C. V., G. A. R., Spanish-American, will assemble at Central Park at 10 o'clock, to participate in the Memorial day exercises, with the legion in charge of ceremonies.

Clark Nichols of Eufaula, war veteran and state senator, will arrive in Ardmore Monday night, and will deliver the principal address of the occasion at Central Park. The program will comprise selections by the Chamber

WAGE CUT WILL GIVE JOBS TO 200,000 MEN

About 400,000 Men Affected by Reduction on July 1 as Result of Operators' New Program

DECISION ON ORDER DECIDED BY VOTE

Roads Will Use Savings to Make Improvements and Extend Interests

CHICAGO.—Maintenance of way employees of the nation's railways face a \$45,000,000 wage reduction July 1, as a result of last night's order by the railway labor board. The order affects 400,000 men. This order, the \$400,000,000 slash of last July and pending orders affecting other classes, if they carry the same ratio of reductions, will place railroad labor back where it was before the \$500,000,000 increase of May 1920. Impending decisions governing the wages of 500,000 railway shopmen, 200,000 clerks, telegraphers, station employees and other classes, were expected to follow closely upon last night's order, which cut the pay of maintenance of way employees from one to five cents an hour.

With their settlement over working rules still pending, the "big four" brotherhoods and the switchmen are not yet involved in any wage dispute before the board. These classes received a 12 per cent reduction last July, however.

Vote to Be Taken.
Immediate consideration of last night's order by the executive council of the United Brotherhood of Maintenance of Way Employees was in prospect today, with the prediction by B. M. Jewell, head of the railway department of the American Federation of Labor, that the decision will be rejected and submitted to a vote of the men.

Brotherhood officials characterized the cut as "indefensible," asserting that the wage they presented to the board did not warrant the slash.

The three labor members of the board returned a dissenting opinion to the order. The wage cut decision was signed by the three representing the public and the three railroad members.

Will Help Unemployed.
Money saved by the wage reductions will be expended in much-needed maintenance work, according to reports of the roads to the board. Starting of this neglected work will offer employment to 200,000 additional men, it was said.

Wages of maintenance of way employees, now ranging from 36 to 40 cents an hour, will, after July 1, range from 23 to 35 cents. Common labor suffered the biggest cut. This class numbers about 187,000 employees who face a reduction of five cents an hour, along with 91,000 men who work around shops, round houses and yards.

Section, track and maintenance foremen will take a three-cent reduction while mechanics not under the shop craft agreement were cut 4 cents and mechanics' helpers one cent.

In its order the board expressed belief that after the reductions are made, common labor on the railroads will still be receiving higher wages than similar labor in most other industries.

DETROIT.—Belief that a strike vote would be ordered by the executive council of the United Brotherhood of Maintenance of Way Employees and railway shop laborers, was expressed today by E. F. Grable, grand president of the organization as the council went into session to consider the wage reduction ordered yesterday by the United States railroad labor board.

LONDON BURIED AT ROSE HILL CEMETERY SUNDAY

Funeral services for J. V. London, who took his own life Friday noon, were held Sunday afternoon at 3 o'clock at Harvey Brothers' chapel. Services were conducted by Dr. Crayton S. Brooks, pastor of First Christian church, with interment in Rose Hill cemetery. Pallbearers were Messrs. T. H. Banks, W. D. Barnes, M. G. Woodard, J. W. Lasley, Joe McFarland, R. R. Wright, H. J. Dixon.

Miss Mary Lou Ennis will go to Idaho Tuesday on a brief business trip.